

# Sports and leisure

## MWR moments

### Hanau Community Free play day

Are your children bouncing off the walls? Bring them to the Kid's Korner in Building 552 at the Wolfgang Shopping Center. Every Thursday, children can play as much as they want in two giant plush castles. There are also a great selection of games youngsters may play to win prizes. Kid's Korner is open Wednesday through Sunday from noon to 8 p.m. Call civ (06181) 88-8534.

### Free DVD lending

Treat yourself to a movie night courtesy of the Pioneer Library. They have a wide selection of new release DVD movies, popular TV show collections and classic films. Whether you are looking to catch up on "CSI: Miami" or "The Bourne Identity," the Pioneer Library is your free source for entertainment. They also carry a wide selection of CD audio books. Call civ (06181) 88-8942.

### USAG Baumholder Go fish

Looking for a way to bond with your child? Families may fish at the USAG Baumholder fishing pond without a license and, best of all, Outdoor Recreation has all of the fishing gear you need to get started. For \$10, anglers may catch up to three trout. For \$15, they may catch up to five. Fishing pole loans cost \$5. The Baumholder fishing pond is open seven days a week and available on a walk-in basis. Call civ (06783) 6-7182.

### Effective parenting

Army Community Service family nurturing programs are available to teach positive parenting techniques and alternatives to physical discipline. Children and parents attend at the same time in separate classes. There are four separate nurturing classes offered for pre-natal, toddler, school age and teen-

age situations. Call Family Advocacy Program at mil 485-8188 to register for the next available classes.

### USAG Wiesbaden Hail and farewell

Are you looking to send your comrade off in style? Then why not hold your next hail and farewell at the Rheinblick Golf Course clubhouse? Rheinblick has indoor and outdoor seating in a country club-like setting. Their new catering service provides affordable menus, from a whole grilled boar to a deluxe buffet. For more information about booking your special event, call civ (0611) 505-92717 or mil 336-2816.

### Gift for Dad

Nothing says you appreciate Dad like a handmade gift. That's why Römer Arts Center is inviting you to build and paint a frame on June 2 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. The project costs \$15 and includes materials and instruction. For more information visit Building 1214 on the Wiesbaden Army Airfield or call civ (0611) 705-5722.

### USAG Giessen Summer fun

USAG Giessen Youth Services will offer special excursions and programs for youths in June. On June 13 Youth Services will be going to the Frankfurt Wave Pool. On June 20 there will be a trip to the Hessen Bowl in Hanau. For a full list of excursions pick up a June copy of MWR's *Connection* magazine or call civ (0641) 402-6129.

### Super sale

The Giessen Crafter's Corner in Building 47 on the U.S. Depot offers 75 percent off its entire stock of crafting materials, paints and other items. Take advantage of the offer early for the best possible selection. The offer excludes items from the frame, photo and trophy shops. Call civ (0641) 402-6445.



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## Lazy days at the Hessenpark

A donkey enjoys a quiet day at the Hessenpark — an open-air museum featuring historical buildings from throughout the state of Hessen. Visitors young and old will enjoy a visit to the park, which offers miles of trails past domestic animals, rebuilt synagogues, schools, windmills and other structures, and demonstrations of native handicrafts such as basket-making and textile-dyeing. It also features regular markets, restaurants and several shops. Hessenpark is located near Neu-Anspach, north of Bad Homburg in the Taunus Mountains. To drive to Hessenpark take the Friedrichsdorf exit off of Autobahn 5 and follow signs to Hessenpark, passing by the Lochmühle amusement park. It is open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Oct. 31. Entrance is €5 for adults, €2.70 for children or €11 for a family card.

## Things to do ... Things to do

### Still spaces for Camp A.R.M.Y. Challenge

There are still spaces available for this summer's July 16-21 Camp A.R.M.Y. Challenge City Adventure and the July 27 to Aug. 1 Tall Ship Adventure. Application deadline has been extended to May 25 or until all slots are filled. Information and application forms are available online at [www.mwr-europe.com](http://www.mwr-europe.com). (*IMCOM-Europe Public Affairs*)

### Family game nights

Family Game Night will be held at Giessen Youth Services May 25 and Butzbach YS May 26. Games include pool, ping-pong, bingo and karaoke. The event is free. Call Giessen YS at civ (0641) 402-6129 or Butzbach YS at civ (06033) 73048 for details.

### Medieval market

The Landsburg Obermoschel Castle, southwest of Bad Kreuznach on the B-420, holds a medieval spectacle June 2 and 3. The event will feature

knights, knaves, sword fighting, torches, jugglers, witches, handmade goods and more. Entrance is €5 for adults and €2.50 for children taller than sword height (the little ones enter free). Parking is available directly below the castle.

### Hessentag in Butzbach

The town of Butzbach plays host to this year's Hessentag celebration. The annual showcase of Hessen's culture, lifestyle, history and more runs from June 1-10. Highlights include performances by **Ian Anderson** (of Jethro Tull fame) June 6, the **Jackson Singers** June 6 and **Aerosmith** June 10. The **U.S. Army Europe Soldiers Chorus** performs June 8 at 6 p.m. and the **USAREUR Rock Band** at 8 p.m. in the Bundeswehr Tent. A static display of German and American military equipment will be featured. On June 9 several local American Soldiers and civilians will be honored by the Hessen minister

president for lifesaving actions. Visit [www.hessentag2007.de](http://www.hessentag2007.de).

### Beginner kayak class

Wiesbaden Outdoor Recreation features a beginner kayak class. Learn basic skills and fundamentals of kayaking on the Rhein River. Cost is \$179 including use of all equipment and instruction. Call mil 337-5760 for details.

### Travel with the USO

Rhein Main Area USOs offer a **Rhein River Cruise** May 27 and trips to **London** May 25-28, **the walled city of Rothenburg** May 26, **Lorraine U.S. military cemetery in St. Avold, France** May 27, **Bastogne and the Battle of the Bulge Military History Tour** May 28, **Karlovy Vary shopping** June 2, **Kassel by train with Klaus** June 2, **Dachau** June 9, **Saalburg and Hessenpark** June 10. Stop by your local USO or call civ (0611) 731 301 for details on these and other travel opportunities.